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Attorney Docket No. 355-A

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: Timothy Fries, et al.)
Serial No.: 09/844,830) Group Art Unit: 2872
Filed: April 27, 2001) Examiner: Unassigned
For: METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR)
PROVIDING DISPERSION AND)
DISPERSION SLOPE COMPENSATION)

Attn: Box Missing Parts
Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir/Madam:

**RESPONSE TO NOTICE TO FILE
MISSING PARTS OF APPLICATION**

In response to the communication of June 25, 2001, Applicants submit a Declaration/Power of Attorney for filing in the above-identified application, and a copy of the Notice of Missing Parts. Authorization is hereby granted to charge the late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CDR 1.16(e) of \$130 for a non-small entity to our Deposit Account No. 50-0308. A copy of this Response is submitted herewith.

Please associate the enclosed assignment and declaration with the above-identified application.

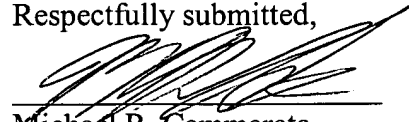
If there are any other fees due in connection with the filing of this response, please charge the fees to our Deposit Account. If a fee is required for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. §

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Dated: August 24, 2001

Respectfully submitted,

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TRANSMITTAL LETTER

Applicant encloses the following documents in response to the Notice To File Missing
Parts Of Application dated April 27, 2001:

1. Response To Notice To File Missing Parts Of Application;
2. Executed Declaration and Power of Attorney;
3. Assignment to CIENA Corporation;
4. Recordation Cover Sheet (in duplicate);
5. Form PTO-1533; and
6. Authorization to Charge the amounts of \$130.00 (late filing fee) to the Deposit
Account.

Certification Under 37 C.F.R. Section 1.10

I hereby certify that this Transmittal Letter and the documents referred to as enclosed therein is being deposited with the United States Postal Service on this 24th day of August 2001 in an envelope marked as "Express Mail Post Office to Addressee" Mail Label Number EL869633260US addressed to Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks, Washington, D.C. 20231.

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Please charge the late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge identified on the attached Form PTO-1533 to our Deposit Account No. 50-0308.

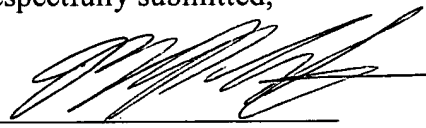
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Date Mailed: 06/25/2001

NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION

FILED UNDER 37 CFR 1.53(b)

Filing Date Granted

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given **TWO MONTHS** from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The oath or declaration is missing.
A properly signed oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63, identifying the application by the above Application Number and Filing Date, is required.
- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(e) of \$130 for a non-small entity, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.
- The balance due by applicant is \$ 130.

*A copy of this notice **MUST** be returned with the reply.*

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PART 2 - COPY TO BE RETURNED WITH RESPONSE

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